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Honorable Dan E. Garvey Governor of the State of Arizona State Capitol Phoenix, Arizona

Dear Governor Garvey:

In compliance with provisions of Section 64-205 Arizona Code, Annotated 1939, there is submitted herewith the Annual Report of the Adjutant General of Arizona for the period 1 July 1946 to 30 June 1949.

On 24 June 1946, the late Governor Sidney P. Osborn did accept the allotment of troops that would constitute the Post-War National Guard of Arizona under the provisions of the National Defense Act as amended. The National Guard of Arizona under the troop allotment was to consist of one Combat Team comprised of one regiment of infantry, one battalion of field artillery, one combat engineer company, one ordnance medium maintenance company, the 108th army band, the state headquarters and headquarters detachment, and the 197th fighter squadron, single engine, a new arm allocated to the state of arizona for the first time. The total strength of the Combat Team was 229 officers and 3555 enlisted, and 62 officers and 303 enlisted men in the air arm making a total strength allocated to the State of Arizona of 291 officers and 3858 enlisted men.

The allotment of troops to Arizona greatly exceeded the strength of any previous allotment, and in addition provided for the state to have an Air Guard. The greatly increased strength in numbers of men and equipment involved an expenditure of funds by the state to rehabilitate the existing facilities and provide additional facilities for the housing and storage of troops and equipment.

An additional appropriation was requested in the amount of \$50,000.00 to facilitate the rehabilitation of existing armories, Fort Tuthill and the state arsenal in Papago Park, Phoenix, as all facilities owned or leased by the state had been made available to the Government and Civil Agencies in the prosecution of the War.

Exhibit "A" attached herewith is a Recapitulation of State Appropriations wherein is shown how the Special Appropriation was expended. These monies were requested and expended due to the fact that the National Guard Bureau allotment of funds scheduled for Arizona would more than reimburse the State for the small amount of state monies used in preparing armories and other installations for the activation of the National Guard of Arizona. It is well to point out at this time that every effort was made to keep state appropriations Adj Gen Rpt, 1 July 1946 - 30 June 49 - Page 2

insofar as the operation of the National Guard was concerned at the lowest possible level as it was the opinion, and still is the opinion, of the Adjutant General that the National Guard as now constituted is perhaps more a federal force than a state force.

Continuing the reference to Exhibit "A" Recapitulation of State Appropriations, you will find therein a detailed expenditure tabulation for each of the years in question. Under date of 2 October 1946 the first unit of the National Guard of Arizona was reactivated—the Headquarters & Headquarters Detachment. This reactivation was based upon a program adopted by the War Department, now referred to as Department of the Army, to extend over a period of six years, at the end of which time the entire National Guard of the United States, including the National Guard of Arizona would be completely activated. In other words all units allocated to the respective states and Torritories and the District of Columbia, would be activated even though all the total strength of officers and men would not have been completed as of that date. Subsequent to the activation of Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, the activation of additional units progressed at a rapid pace contingent upon the facilities to be used as armories. In considering the fact that six years was established as a period of reactivation, it was only after most careful surveys that units were activated, as it had to be borne in mind that the activation insofar as the provision if facilities was concerned was a state obligation and therefore expenditures must be kept within the appropriations made.

Early in the spring of 1948, due to a serious change of overseas conditions, the six-year program was dropped, and the State of Arizona was directed to activate all its units within the least practicable time. It was further determined by the Department of the Army that temporary facilities must be considered for housing the units, as the Department of the Army had every reason to believe that Congress would pass a bill that was termed as an armory appropriation bill. On 4 August 1948, all units, that is companies, batteries and detachments allocated to the state of Arizona were completely reactivated although many were occupying the most temporary type of armory facility. Realizing that the state of Arizona would be called upon to assist materially in providing adequate facilities, a request was made to the Nineteenth Legislature for funds whereby armories and storage facilities could be erected. Considering that with or without federal funds assisting in the construction nevertheless the facilities had to be provided.

Beginning with the small number of 11 officers and 15 enlisted men activated on 2 October 1946, the strength of the National Guard of Arizona as of 30 June 1949 is 211 officers and 1772 enlisted men. This is the largest peacetime strength ever attained by the National Guard of Arizona.

As stated before the National Guard Bureau had indicated that the federal funds to be expended in the state of Arizona would be considerable even though it was predicated upon the strength of the existing "ational Guard. It must be explained herein that the appropriation of funds to be expended in Arizona in any one year is based on the potential strength estimated to be attained in that one year. It was indicated by the National Guard Bureau that federal funds would probably be expended upon a basis of four government dollars to one state dollar. This was a very modest estimate. It is indicated in Exhibit P "Statement of Federal Funds Expended in State of Arizona during Period 1 July 1946 to 20 June 1949" that the Government has expended \$1,701,838.92 as against expenditure of state funds as shown on pafe one of Exhibit A in amount of \$350,087.65

You will note further on page one of Exhibit "B", that the number of employees paid from Federal Funds is an aggregate of 163 persons, whereas the total number of state employees has not exceeded twenty.

The item of Armory Drill Pay covering both Air and Army Forces will hit a figure of \$300,000.00 by the end of Fiscal Year 1950. Added to this amount will be the pay of civilian employees that will amount to some \$400,000.00. The combination of these two pay items alone is an important factor to the economical position of the State of Arizona. In addition other pay items of civilian employees and National Guardsmen attending their respective armory drills another \$200,000.00 can be added, and for those attending what is termed Field Training another \$100,000.00 for pay and allowances can be added thereto. In addition there is the pay of the Federal Instructor Group which will amount to approximately \$50,000.00 yearly. These are all pay items, as indicated on both Exhibit "A" and Exhibit "B" which shows the expenditure of both federal and state funds within the State of Arizona.

It would be inappropriate not to mention briefly Fort Huachuca, Arizona, the area assigned as a training area for the National Guard of Arizona Army Forces. The federal government has indicated that they cannot maintain the operation of Fort Huachuca, however, certain funds are made available for the opening and closing of the Camps held there during the period the National Guard of Arizona is in training. Repairs and maintenance of warehouses, mess halls, bath houses, and similar facilities will to a certain extent be maintained by the federal government, but barracks and quarters will not be. At present under the provisions of Chapter 57, there is insufficient money allocated to repair or maintain this large installation Every effort is being expended by this office to maintain careful supervision over the property in question, and to spread each dollar as thinly as possible in maintenance.

Respectfully submitted

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Major General, NGAz The Adjutant General

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1. Exhibit "A"

2. Exhibit "B"

cc: Interim Legislative Committee